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LOSS IN REVENUE OF BSNL AND MTNL
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of profit or loss earned/incurred by Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL)/Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) during the last two years and the current year;

(b) whether any review has been conducted to find out the reasons for losses if any;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether BSNL and MTNL are able to pay up for 3G Spectrum and undertake revision in pay structure of employees;

(e) if no, the reasons therefore; and

(f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) Sir, net profit earned by BSNL and MTNL during the last two years and the financial year 2007-08 is as follows:

YEAR	BSNL	MTNL
2005-06	8939.70	580.20
2006-07	7805.87	681.74
2007-08	3009.39	586.89

(b) & (c) Not applicable in view of (a) above.

(d) The payment for 3G spectrum is still not due in the absence of price discovery through auction process. As regard pay revision, the DPE has issued guidelines on 26.11.2008 which are under consideration by the management and appropriate decision will be taken in due course.

(e) & (f) Not applicable in view of (d) above.